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LULA, MISS.

IMPROVEMENT IN PUBLIC MOR-ALS BY THE

Enforcement of the Laws-Religious Discussion-Crop Prospects-Improvements and Progress.

ICORDERPONDENCE OF THE APPRAL. Lula, Miss, October 25.-In my last article to the Appeal I spoke of the lateness of some of our cotton crops, and the faulty that an early frost would bring. The late cotton, while well fruited, was full of sap, and an early killing frost would have been disastrons to it. The giver of all good offer has been kind to us this seas. In gifts has been kind to us this seas n, for we have had no frest to this date to do any demare, and the fall has for husbanding crops. The favorable season for gathering will increase the yield considerably, but the crop, as a general thing, will not be so good as the crop of last year. The long and continuous rainy spell in the late spring and early summer gave the cotton crop a black eve from which it been one of the loveliest ever known cotton crop a black eye from which it has never recovered.

IMPROVEMENTS. We are enjoying a decided boom in

the delta. It is perceptible on all sides. There is a spirit of improvement going on in every direction. A few days since the writer chanced to take a journey of four or five miles through the country, and en route he saw five new giunouses, built this year, four of which were ran by steam and one by horse power. And in addition to these there were visible numberless improvements of a minor char-There is a grand future in store scier. There is a grand future in store for this country. It is menaced by but one danger which would detract from its being by odds the finest farming country upon the habitable globe, and that is the probability of an overflow from the Mississ ppi river. This danger, it is to be hoped, will soon be oversome, as the contractors are now overcome, as the contractors are now bard at work repairing the breaks and strengthening the weak places in the levees. We have every confidence in the integrity, sound judgment and good management of our present Board of Levee Commissioners, and we believe if there is such a thing possible as levying the mighty Father of Wa'ers (and It has been fully demonstrated) that health and a happy prosperous and contented people. Overflows, on the other hand, are disastrous to craps and the health of beast as well as man. The writer knew this county for a period of ten or twelve years when the levees were intact and it was free from overflow, and it blos-somed like the rose.

THE MORALS OF THE COUNTRY. No country has undergone so radical and rapid a change in its enforcement of the laws and improvement of its morals as has this in the past fifteen years. Then a house of God was the exception, and rare exception at that, but the grog chors abounded in the land. Now we have churches in almost every neighborhood, and a law-abiding, God-fearing people. Of abiding, God-fearing people. Or course, the major portion of our population are ignorant, in a great measure, of the laws under which we live, but, considering their want of know edge, their obedience and respect for law is wonderful. History does not teach of a population abounding in as much ignorance as pervades the negro race of this section who are so respeciful and law abiding. Indeed, impressions sometimes take possess on of them that such and such is law, when, in point of fact, there is no such law on the statute booke, yet

they are a necessity here.

Many years ago, during negro and carpetbag rule in this State, the negro was a badly demoralized citizen, but now how changed is his condition. If you wish to make him happy, instead of offering the traditional forty acres opened cotton patch and pay him 50 decided years ago to give the place to Judge Hilton and have it opened as an uptown dry goods store. and a mule, just turn him into a well thing as politics ever enters his undis-turbed brain. He doesn't know, nor does he care a fig, when election day comes around, for he argues, and wisely too, "there's nothing in it for the nigger." The result is, loyal leggues are things of the past; midnight harrangues or political discussions seldom occur. In their stead the negro has his church, society, his Sons of Jacob of America and Daughters of Zon, his festival and innumerable other festivities that take the place of loyal leagues and political

A RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION.

A few years ago this community was composed mostly of Baptists, but a fluent talking and elequent young man, the Ray. Mr. McGuffey, of the Campbellite or Christian faith, came upon the scene, and after a few visits here and a series of sermons succeeded in capturing almost the entire Baptist congregation. The Methodists and congregation. members of other churches proposed a joint discussion on the mode of baptism as laid down in the Scriptures. The aforesaid discussion had been talked of for some time, and today was the day appointed. Representing one side of the question came yesterday the Rev. T. W. Dye, of the Methodist Church. It seems that upon his arrival it was ascertained that the other side had unders'ood the discussion to be "off," and their representative, who, it was learned, would be Mr. McGuffey, was not on the ground. Mr. Dye seemed to have come with his war paint on, and in a public sermon yesterday expressed great disappointment at the failure of the opposition to meet him. The brethren, desiring to give Mr. Dye satisfaction, called the telegraph wires into use, and after a time succeeded in finding Mr. McGuff-y somewhere on the line of the Mississippi and Tennessee railroad. He telegraphed his coming, so today he arrived on the 11 minister in charge of the church. Mr. McGuffey and Mr. Briney represented stood them and as he proposed to daily growing stronger sgainst the discuss them. After much and pro-

longed spuring, in which nearly all of during which there were some right scathing remarks made by both sides, they finally agreed to disagree, and the Rsv. Mr. Honnell, in order to pour oil upon the troubled waters and to put a quietus upon the dis putants, got up and gave out some appointments for Mr. Dye and dismisted the congregation, none of us being may the wiser after the hour's discussion than when we came knowing whather we should be im-mersed, sprinkled or have the water poured upon us in order to cleanse us

After the adjournment from the church, I learned that a discussion was finally arranged, due notice of the time to be given.

The writer knew Tom Dys, as he was familiarly called, in times that tred men's s.u.s, and he fights as a sold or of the cross, with the same agar seiverers and fearlessness as be id in the late war, following the lead of the gallant and glorious old Bah McColloch. He has met a foeman worthy of his steel, though, in the e equent young McGuifey, and when they do meet it will be Greek meet OCCASIONAM.

MARTIN, TENS.

A Colored School Teacher Takes McElwee's Flace as Speaker.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE APPEAL.] MARTIN, TENN., October 26 .- The Hon. Sam. McE wee, of Haywood, was to have addressed the citizens of this place at the African Method st Enisplace at the African Method at Ens-cepai Church Saturday night, but be-ing unable to attend he sent as his substitute Mr. M. Vann, a colored school teacher of Dyer. A goodly number of whits ladies and ginde-men and a goodly number of black ladies and gentlemen were in attend-ance. The Rev. Mr. Danley, the colored parter, handed hymn books around, the organist took her seat and around, the organist took her seat and amidst the peals of the organ the colored people sang, "Work, for the Night is Coming." After another song the Rev. air. Dinley offered a very appropriate prayer, after which a very appropriate player, after which he introduced the distinguished gentleman from Dyer. The greater part of the speech was devoted to the Blair bill, quoting Bob and Alf, and the relating of a few anecdotes, which amured the darkies and Republicans. immensely. The speaker arraigned the Democratic party for extravagance, in burying Congressmen and Senators, the very thing that the Democratic party is free from and the Republican party guilty of. He also spoke dis-catagingly of the government appro-priating money for the advancement of entumological science, which every intel igent farmer and fruit grower appreciates, as it places him in a position to protect his crops and trees from the destructive ravages of bugs and in-sacts. The only good, sensible advice the speaker gave his colored brothers and eisters was that there was no sense in the word colored to ks—that they were negroes and nothing else, and hould not be ashamed to be called by that name.

The Hon. D. A. Nunn, Republican candidate for Congress, speaks here Wednesday evening, and the Hon. Ike K. Revelle, of Brownsville, will address the citiz as here Monday night in the interest of Republicanism.

MRS. STEWART'S WILL. Curiosity Aroused in Regard to the Disposition of the Marble Palace.

NEW YORK. October 26,-How has he got back to the train. Mrs. Stewart disposed of her \$3,000,000 | The Colored Wife Murderer Bead. \$2,000,000 worth of paintings and other works of art which it contains? These are the questions, before all others, that are interesting the public of this city today. The Commercial Advertiser says: A surprise will probably he in store for the public when Mrs. Stewart's will is opened the last they respect it as such. The negro is suited to this country—it is his paradise, and while many of them are carelers, indolent and extravagant, to be ignorant of its contents. One thing appears certain, the mable house where she died will not again be used as a dwelling. Many well informed persons have supposed that it would be given by Mrs. Stewart to the Union Club, as Mr. Stewart to the Union Club, as Mr. Stewart had from time to time hinted that to be his ultimate design for the place. his ultimate design for the place. But today it was alleged that Mrs. S ewart

> THE APPEAL AGAIN INDORSED. The Farmers and the Cotton Seed Industries,

SCHERRISPONDENCE OF THE APPEAL.

Sardis, Miss., October 25. — The farmers are interested in your editorial on the cot on seed and oil trust question. I was requested by a number of farmers to write you and urge you shead with your elucidations. That it is calculated as a wholesale robbery to the planter there can be no doubt, and the press in the cotton producing States would do well to point out the evil and warn the people. Givs the price the "Trust" pays for seed delivered, not f. c.b., but "free at the mil," and the price the "Trust" gets for the product, namely, the lint, the huls, the meal, the cake, the oil, etc., and compare the profit to the planter against the "Trust." Don't lose sight of the fact that the seed is one of the very best fertilizers known and its application to the crops easily under-stood throughout the South, as well as a fine food for stock, without any eroshing or ginding, when given in proper quantities and mixed with hay, etc., as we are required to do with the meal. Freight is a big factor in this thing, hence railroads, who are always sharp, are building cotton seed houses or depots at all their side tracks for convenience to the planters cotton and shippers, and, by the way, are sharp enough to cause the seed merchants to pay for the building. The railroad gives the use of ground that has been given to them by the town years ago.

Sir John Madconald Alarmed at the Turn of Affairs,

OTTAWA, ONT., October 26.—It is stated on good anthority that Sir John Macdonald will bring on a general election for the Dominion this fall. The defeat of the Tory Government in Quebec, Sir John's strongcoming, so today he arrived on the 11 o'clock train from Memphis, bringing with him the Rev. J. B. Briney, of Memphis, one of his co-workers and a man of considerable ability. When the crowd assembled at the church there were present Mr. Dye, the debator for the Methodists, the Rev. J. W. Honnell, presiding elder for the district, and the Rev. Mr. Higgins, minister in charge of the church. Mr. over the keys of office. Al the memtions before that government hands over the keys of office. A I the members of the Cabinet have been summoned to proceed to Ottawa next Fri the other side. A proposition was made by Mr. Dye to go at once into the discussion. A debate of an hour Cabinet were held Saturday to arthe discussion. A debate of an hour or more followed as to what questions they were to discuss, Mr. McGuffey meantime stating that he was not ready then to enter upon the discussion of the questions as he under whelming majority, which reaction is deliveraging stronger segant the

CRIME AND CASUALTIES.

AN IMPORTANT WITNESS IN A MURDER CASE

Put Out of the Way-The Rallroad Collision in Michigan - Run Down by a Freight Train.

DES MOINES, IA., October 26 - The disappearance of Henry Peters, one of important witnesses of the Haddock murder at Sloux City, and the intimation that he had been killed to prevent his telling tales, has been nearly confirmed. On the 4th of this month the body of a stranger was found in the willows, about a mile from Crescent, near Council Bluff. It was baily decomposed and could not be identified. The place where the b dy was found was one which could be resched by a skiff coming down the Missouri, and it is thought the body came down the river. A pocket was found and a crumpled piece of paper, on which was written, "Miss Minute Newman, Capitol ave-nus. H. Ragburn." The body was buried in the potter's field at Council Buffs, but today an examination of the clothing was made, leading to the almost complete identification of Peters. It is thought he was killed by the Haddock murderers to provent his revealing the first assassins.

Accidentally Shot His Sister. Leuisville. Oc ober 26 .- A con of Carley Sacrell, living near Owingsville, Ky., accidentally discharged a sifls that at his 16 year old sister and sills that at his 16 year old sister and shot her through the head. She will

Jewelry Store Bobbed.

Fon DC Lac, Wis., October 26 .-Scherzinger's jewelry store, at this place, was ent sed by burglass and robbed of about \$500 worth of jewelry last night. The safe was blown open. Most of the plunder was afterwards found wrapped up in a quilt and con-cealed in the river bank. Two men

Two Men Killed by a Freight Train. BRADFORD, CONN., October 26.—Two men named James Jourdan and Thomas Good were riding on a "speeder" on the West Branch rail-road near here last night when they were run down by a freight train and instantly k lled.

The Detroit and Grand Haven Col-

DETROIT, MICH., October 26. - Ar investigation of the collision Saturday night on the Detroit, Grand Haven and Milwankee railrand, revealed the fact that but for the engineer of the freight train failing as eep on his engine while waiting on he siding a much worse disaster would have happened. The engineer had been on duty seven hours, and though his orders were to pull out when the west bound freight had passed, he failed to do so, being almost askep in the cab when told by the brakeman that the switch was open for him. Had he gone on he would have collided with the presenger train while both were in motion instead of his running into his train as it stood on the siding. All the freight train hands testified that they were too worn out from lack of sleep to think of consulting the time card, which would have told them the passenger train was due. Wm. Mann, who threw the switch open, acknow-ledged he dropped to sleep as soon as

Kansas Ciry, Mo., October 26.— Lafferty, the colored wife murderer, was conveyed from Leavenworth to Wyandotte this morning to guard against mob violence. He died at the latter place soon af er he arrived from own life, having gashed his throat last Eunday.

A Trunk Full of Jewelry Missing. KANSAS CITY, Mo., October 28 - A trunk containing \$12,000 worth of ewelry, belonging to the agent of a Uncinnati jeweiry firm, was checked for this city from Wakens, Mo., on the Wabash train dua here Saturday night. It has not arrived, and the authorities have been unable to

FOREIGN NOTES.

LONDON, October 26 .- Lady Church ill opened a Primrose lodge at Bradford

Dublin, October 26.—Numerous nants are paying their rents, material re-uctions having been made. Berlin, October 26 .- The Building Committee of the Baltic canal calculate that they will employ 15,000 workmen.

London, October 26.—The Lord Mayor has received a letter from the Mayor of Charleston, expressing thacks for money forwarded from London for the Charleston sufferers.

LONDON, October 26,—The Standard asks Lord Randolph Churchill, in a few terse and pointed sentences, to deter France from trying to embarrass England in the Egyptian question.

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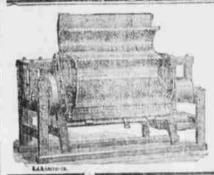
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